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FIRST INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the accompanying information is being submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

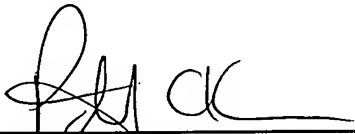
The relevance of the listed documents is their citation in the attached International Search Report, International Preliminary Examination Report, and European Search Report of the corresponding PCT application.

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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Sir:

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1. We wish to make of record the certain citations listed in the Search Report/Examination Report in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97.

2. The relevance of each listed item with regard to the different claims of the above-identified application according to the opinion of the Search Authority/Examination Authority, is indicated in the Search Report/Examination Report

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3. The claims as filed in the above-identified U.S. patent application

correspond to ☐
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the claims for which the Search Report/Examination Report has
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NON-PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

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	*TOSHIFUMI YOSHIKAWA et al., "ANALYSIS OF PARALLEL OPERATION METHODS OF PWM INVERTER SETS FOR AN ULTRA-HIGH SPEED ELEVATOR", IEEE, February 6, 2000, pages 944-950, Fifteenth Annual IEEE, New Orleans, LA, USA, Piscataway, NJ, USA, IEEE, XP-010371647 (cited in the International Search Report mentioned below)
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	*European Search Report dated 01/13/2004 (with English translation of category of cited documents).

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